

Connecticut's Lethality Assessment Program

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CCADV

Data context

- FV 2016 Arrest Report - - 12,894 arrests for IPV
- Accounts for approximately one-third of Connecticut's criminal cases
- 243 # number of IPV fatalities between 2000 / present
- 10-year period prior to LAP - - 15 IPV homicides annually
- Between 2013 – 2016 during LAP statewide roll-out, average IPV homicide decreased to 12 per year

CT First State: full law enforcement participation

- 93 municipal police departments
- Ct State Police - - 79 municipalities and jurisdictions
- 9 Universities – *University of Connecticut, Yale University, Connecticut State University System (Central, Eastern, Southern, Western) University of New Haven, University of Hartford, University of Saint Joseph*
- Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Police and Mohegan Tribal police
- Ct State Environmental Conversation police (ENCON)

CT's Lap Experience (10/12 – 9/17)

CONNECTICUT'S LETHALITY ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

Between October 2012 and September 2017,
with 93% of law enforcement agencies fully utilizing LAP..



22,566

LETHALITY SCREENS CONDUCTED

11,449

SCREENS CONSIDERED "HIGH DANGER"
(51%)



8,392

"HIGH DANGER" VICTIMS SPOKE
WITH A COUNSELOR
(73%)

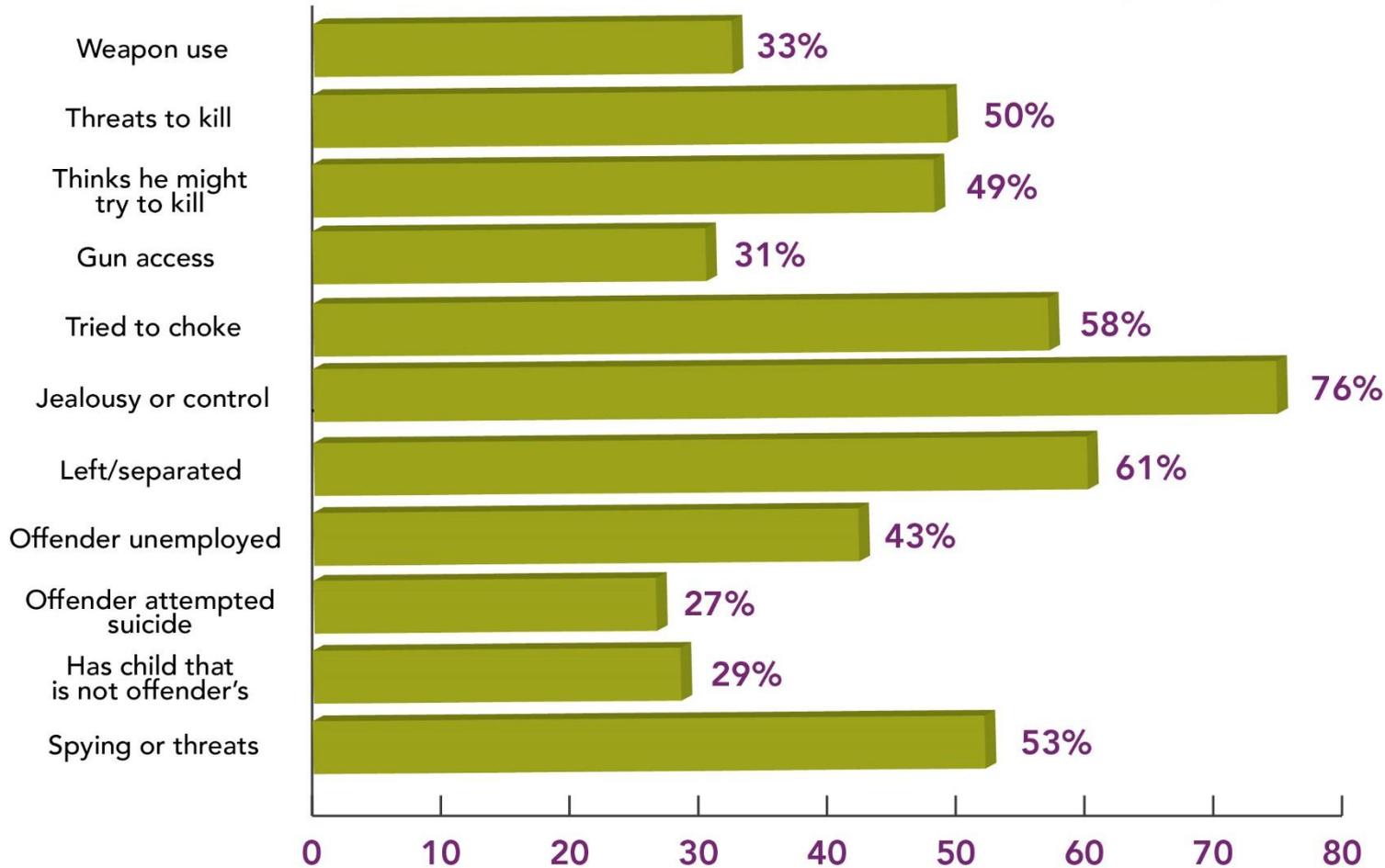
7,444

"HIGH DANGER" VICTIMS WHO SPOKE WITH
A COUNSELOR FOLLOWED UP FOR SERVICES
(89%)



Lethality Factors

[n = 3,247 screens]



Conclusions

- More effective and timely screenings occurring
- Victims, when most vulnerable, are connected to services sooner thereby enhancing safety
- Greater understanding by law enforcement and victims about level of dangerousness
- Unprecedented coordination and collaborative response between Law enforcement and domestic violence organizations
- Creation of policy between law enforcement and CCADV member organizations speak to viability/credibility of LAP

Next Steps

- Asses potential changes to protocol
- Develop processes to ensure fidelity to protocol
- Establish clear model for implementation and sustainability
- Determine other areas of utility for the First Responder LAP Screen
- Work with stakeholders to ensure uniformed data collection

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